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#### Field Crops

Squaring has occurred on 90 percent of the State's cotton acreage, behind last year and the five-year average. Sixty-five percent of the acreage has set bolls. Bolls opening is at 17 percent, ahead of last year and the five-year average. The condition of the cotton crop remains mostly good. Alfalfa condition is mostly good to excellent. Harvesting is active on over three-fourths of the acreage across the State.

## Arizona Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

This week Arizona growers remained active with the harvest of cantaloupes, honeydews and other miscellaneous melons.

### **Range and Pasture**

Range and pastures received some much needed moisture from seasonal rains. Most rangeland remains in very poor to fair condition. Some stock tanks were replenished with the much needed rain showers, but water hauling is necessary in a few areas.

#### **Crop Condition**

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent			
	- Percent -							
Alfalfa	-	2	18	42	38			
Range and Pasture	36	28	20	14	2			
Cotton	-	-	13	65	22			

**Crop Progress** 

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.			
	- Percent -						
Cotton							
<ul> <li>Squaring</li> </ul>	90	85	93	95			
<ul> <li>Setting Bolls</li> </ul>	65	45	67	71			
<ul> <li>Bolls Opening</li> </ul>	17	5	15	5			

#### Weather Summary

Temperatures were mostly above normal for the week ending July 24th, ranging from 2 degrees below normal at Parker to 7 degrees above normal at Prescott. The highest temperature of the week was 112 degrees at Phoenix and Yuma. The lowest reading was 39 degrees at Grand Canyon. There was precipitation

recorded in 13 of the 22 weather stations. The least precipitation was recorded in Canyon de Chelly and Grand Canyon with 0.07 inches. The most precipitation was recorded in Willcox with 1.10 inches. Roll is the only area that has above normal precipitation to date.

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### Address Service Requested

Temperature and Precipitation Data								
July 18, 2011 - July 24, 2011								
	Temperature			Precipitation				
04-41	Δ	D== 4/	L C ada		Past	Jan. 1	Departure	Percent
Station	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Week	to Date	From Normal	of Normal
Aguila	88	3	104	66	0.00	2.04	-2.86	42
Buckeye	94	3	110	78	0.00	2.26	-1.06	68
Canyon De Chelly	79	3	97	60	0.07	1.96	-2.38	45
Coolidge	90	4	108	73	0.00	1.34	-2.33	37
Douglas	82	4	98	65	0.30	0.73	-4.34	14
Flagstaff	69	2	85	49	0.38	7.29	-4.04	64
Grand Canyon	67	6	89	39	0.07	5.83	-5.22	53
Kingman	85	3	101	63	0.00	4.44	-0.25	95
Marana	91	5	107	75	0.08	1.60	-3.25	33
Maricopa	92	3	109	74	0.08	1.21	-2.30	34
Paloma	90	-1	108	70	0.00	2.03	-1.21	63
Parker	88	-2	109	67	0.00	1.73	-0.54	76
Payson	76	0	92	58	0.29	6.57	-3.57	65
Phoenix	99	5	112	85	0.00	1.62	-1.70	49
Prescott	79	7	97	61	0.91	4.37	-4.68	48
Roll	92	2	111	71	0.00	1.49	0.35	131
Safford	85	2	101	69	0.47	1.29	-2.52	34
St. Johns	78	4	94	61	0.52	2.68	-2.12	56
Tucson	89	3	105	71	0.10	2.74	-1.98	58
Willcox	82	4	100	64	1.10	2.80	-2.18	56
Winslow	81	3	97	63	0.12	2.26	-0.99	70
Yuma	97	3	112	81	0.00	0.73	-0.41	64
1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.								

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